

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S6669–S6749

Measures Introduced: Nine bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1277–1285, and S. Res. 187–188. **Pages S6719–20**

Measures Reported:

Special Report entitled “Revised Allocation to Subcommittees of Budget Totals From the Concurrent Resolution, Fiscal Year 2009”. (S. Rept. No. 111–28) **Page S6719**

Measures Passed:

Webcaster Settlement Act: Senate passed H.R. 2344, to amend section 114 of title 17, United States Code, to provide for agreements for the reproduction and performance of sound recordings by webcasters, clearing the measure for the President. **Pages S6740–41**

Antitrust Criminal Penalty Enhancement and Reform Act: Senate passed H.R. 2675, to amend title II of the Antitrust Criminal Penalty Enhancement and Reform Act of 2004 to extend the operation of such title for a 1-year period ending June 22, 2010, clearing the measure for the President. **Page S6741**

J. Herbert W. Small Federal Building and United States Courthouse: Senate passed H.R. 813, to designate the Federal building and United States courthouse located at 306 East Main Street in Elizabeth City, North Carolina, as the “J. Herbert W. Small Federal Building and United States Courthouse”, clearing the measure for the President. **Page S6741**

Ronald H. Brown United States Mission to the United Nations Building: Senate passed H.R. 837, to designate the Federal building located at 799 United Nations Plaza in New York, New York, as the “Ronald H. Brown United States Mission to the United Nations Building”, clearing the measure for the President. **Page S6741**

Year of the Noncommissioned Officer Corps of the United States Army: Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from further consideration of S.

Res. 66, designating 2009 as the “Year of the Non-commissioned Officer Corps of the United States Army”, and the resolution was then agreed to. **Page S6741**

Congratulating the Los Angeles Lakers: Senate agreed to S. Res. 188, congratulating the Los Angeles Lakers for winning the 2009 National Basketball Championship. **Pages S6741–42**

Photographic Records Relating to Treatment of Individuals: Senate passed S. 1285, to provide that certain photographic records relating to the treatment of any individual engaged, captured, or detained after September 11, 2001, by the Armed Forces of the United States in operations outside the United States shall not be subject to disclosure under section 552 of title 5, United States Code (commonly referred to as the Freedom of Information Act), to amend section 552(b)(3) of title 5, United States Code (commonly referred to as the Freedom of Information Act) to provide that statutory exemptions to disclosure requirements of that Act shall specifically cite to the provision of that Act authorizing exemptions, to ensure and open and deliberative process in Congress by providing for related legislative proposals to explicitly state such required citations. **Page S6742**

Measures Considered:

Travel Promotion Act: Senate began consideration of S. 1023, to establish a non-profit corporation to communicate United States entry policies and otherwise promote leisure, business, and scholarly travel to the United States, after agreeing to the motion to proceed. **Pages S6683–87, S6706–10**

Conference Reports:

Supplemental Appropriations Act—Conference Report: Senate began consideration of the conference report to accompany H.R. 2346, making supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2009. **Page S6710**

A motion was entered to close further debate on the conference report, and, in accordance with the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on cloture will occur on Friday, June 19, 2009. **Page S6743**

Nomination Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nomination:

Hilary Chandler Tompkins, of New Mexico, to be Solicitor of the Department of the Interior.

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Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Vilma S. Martinez, of California, to be Ambassador to Argentina.

Routine lists in the Army and Navy.

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Nomination Withdrawn: Senate received notification of withdrawal of the following nomination:

Donald Michael Remy, of Virginia, to be General Counsel of the Department of the Army, which was sent to the Senate on April 20, 2009.

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Measures Referred:

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m. and adjourned at 7:38 p.m., until 9:45 a.m. on Thursday, June 18, 2009. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S6743.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

APPROPRIATIONS: DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Homeland Security approved for full Committee consideration an original bill making appropriations for the Department of Homeland Security for the fiscal year 2010.

MILITARY CONSTRUCTION, ENVIRONMENTAL, AND BASE CLOSURE PROGRAMS BUDGET

Committee on Armed Services: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the Defense Authorization request for fiscal year 2010 and the Future Years Defense Program for military construction, environmental, and base closure programs, after receiving

testimony from B.J. Penn, Assistant Secretary of the Navy for Installations and Environment, Kathleen I. Ferguson, Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Air Force for Installations, Joseph F. Calcara, Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Army for Installations and Housing, and Wayne Army, Deputy Under Secretary for Installations and Environment, all of the Department of Defense.

COMMERCIAL AIR CARRIERS

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Aviation Operations, Safety, and Security concluded a hearing to examine aviation safety, focusing on the role and responsibility of commercial air carriers and employees, after receiving testimony from James C. May, Air Transport Association of America, Inc., Roger Cohen, Regional Airline Association, and Captain John Prater, Air Line Pilots Association, International, all of Washington, D.C.; and Scott Maurer, Families of Continental Flight 3407, Moore, South Carolina.

CONSUMER WIRELESS EXPERIENCE

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the consumer wireless experience, focusing on consumers' current satisfaction with wireless phone service, problems consumers have experienced with this service, and the Federal Communications Commission's efforts to assist wireless consumers with complaints, after receiving testimony from Mark Goldstein, Director, Physical Infrastructure Issues, Government Accountability Office; John E. Rooney, United States Cellular Corporation, Chicago, Illinois; Paul Roth, AT&T Inc., Atlanta, Georgia; Rob Frieden, Penn State University, University Park, Pennsylvania; Barbara S. Esbin, The Progress and Freedom Foundation Center for Communications and Competition Policy, Washington, D.C.; and Victor H. Meena, Cellular South, Inc., Ridgeland, Mississippi.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee ordered favorably reported an original bill entitled "The American Clean Energy Leadership Act".

PUBLIC LAND AND FOREST LEGISLATION

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Public Lands and Forests concluded a hearing to examine S. 409, to secure Federal ownership and management of significant natural, scenic, and recreational resources, to provide for the protection of cultural resources, to facilitate the efficient extraction of mineral resources by authorizing and directing an exchange of Federal and non-Federal land, S. 782, to provide for the establishment of the National Volcano Early Warning and Monitoring